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Suppose that  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are compact convex subsets of locally convex spaces  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  respectively. There are several definitions of new compact convex sets associated with  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ , each of which may reasonably be called a "tensor product" of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ . We compare these different tensor products and their extreme points; in doing so, we obtain some new characterizations of Choquet simplexes, another formulation of Grothendieck's approximation problem and much simpler proofs of known characterizations of the extreme points of these tensor products. Most of these results are obtained as special cases of theorems in the first half of the paper which deal with the state spaces of tensor products of partially ordered linear spaces with order unit.

1. Tensor products of partially ordered spaces. A partially ordered linear space with order unit is a triple (E, P, u), where the linear space E is given the partial ordering induced by the cone P, where  $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$ , and where u is an order unit for P, i.e., P - u absorbs E. Given a partially ordered linear space (E, P), the dual cone  $P^*$  is the space of all linear functionals on E which are nonnegative on P. The subspace of the algebraic dual of E which is generated by  $P^*$  is denoted by  $E^*$ ; it is clear that  $E^* = P^* - P^*$ . The partially ordered linear space  $(E^*, P^*)$  is called the order dual of (E, P).

If  $(E_1, P_1, u_1)$  and  $(E_2, P_2, u_2)$  are two partially ordered linear spaces with order units, then in the tensor product  $E_1 \otimes E_2$  the cone generated by elements of the form  $x_1 \otimes x_2$   $(x_i \in P_i)$  will be denoted by  $P_1 \otimes P_2$ . The triple  $(E_1 \otimes E_2, P_1 \otimes P_2, u_1 \otimes u_2)$  is a partially ordered linear space with order unit [3, 8].

Given a partially ordered linear space with order unit (E, P, u), its state space S is the set of all f in  $P^*$  such that  $\langle f, u \rangle = 1$ , provided with the weak\*  $(=w(E^*, E))$  topology. Clearly, S is convex compact and Hausdorff. It is possible for S to be empty (cf. [7, p. 26]). If S is the state space of  $(E_1 \otimes E_2, P_1 \otimes P_2, u_1 \otimes u_2)$  and  $s \in S$ , then there exists a related functional  $s_1$  on  $E_1$  defined by

$$\langle s_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}, x_{\scriptscriptstyle 2} \rangle = \langle s, x_{\scriptscriptstyle 1} \otimes u_{\scriptscriptstyle 2} \rangle$$
,  $x_{\scriptscriptstyle 1} \in E_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}$ .

It is clear that  $s_1$  is in the state space  $S_1$  of  $(E_1, P_1, u_1)$ , and it is clear how to define the analogous state  $s_2$  in  $S_2$ . In the reverse direction, suppose that  $t_i$  is in the state space  $S_i$  of  $(E_i, P_i, u_i)$  and define the functional  $t_1 \otimes t_2$  on  $E_1 \otimes E_2$  by setting

$$ig< t_1 \otimes t_2, \, x_1 \otimes x_2 ig> = ig< t_1, \, x_1 ig> ig< t_2, \, x_2 ig> \,, \qquad x_i \in E_i$$
 ,

and extending linearly. The functional  $t_1 \otimes t_2$  is clearly in the state space S of  $(E_1 \otimes E_2, P_1 \otimes P_2, u_1 \otimes u_2)$ .

It is known [1, 3, 4] that if  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are simplexes (see below), then a state s of S is an extreme point of S if and only if  $s = s_1 \otimes s_2$ , and each  $s_i$  is extreme in  $S_i$ . Our first few results show the extent to which this remains true without making any assumptions about the sets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ .

LEMMA 1.1. Let  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  and S be the state spaces of the partially ordered linear spaces with order unit  $(E_1, P_1, u_1)$ ,  $(E_2, P_2, u_2)$  and  $(E_1 \otimes E_2, P_1 \otimes P_2, u_1 \otimes u_2)$  respectively. If  $s \in S$  and if  $s_1$  is an extreme point of  $S_1$ , then  $s = s_1 \otimes s_2$ .

*Proof.* Fix an element  $x_2$  of  $E_2$ , with  $0 \leq x_2 \leq u_2$ , and define the functional f on  $E_1$  by  $\langle f, x_1 \rangle = \langle s, x_1 \otimes x_2 \rangle$ . Since  $0 \leq f \leq s_1$  and since  $s_1$  is extreme in  $S_1$ , there exists a constant (necessarily equal to  $\langle f, u_1 \rangle$ ) such that  $f = \langle f, u_1 \rangle s_1$ . Thus, for any  $x_1$  in  $E_1$ , we have  $\langle s, x_1 \otimes x_2 \rangle = \langle f, x_1 \rangle = \langle f, u_1 \rangle \langle s_1, x_1 \rangle = \langle s_2, x_2 \rangle \langle s_1, x_1 \rangle$ . It follows easily from this that  $s = s_1 \otimes s_2$ .

If K is a nonempty compact convex subset of a locally convex space E, let  $M_1^+(K)$  denote the space of all regular Borel probability measures on K and let Q(K) denote the subspace of all maximal such measures on K [9]. We denote by r the affine resultant mapping from  $M_1^+(K)$  onto K; it is characterized by the equation

$$f(r(\mu)) = \int_{\kappa} f d\mu$$
,  $f \in E, \mu \in M^+_1(K)$ .

The restriction  $r_m$  of r to the maximal measures Q(K) is also onto, and K is called a *simplex* if  $r_m$  is one-to-one. We will say that K is *simplex-like* if there exists an affine map  $\sigma: K \to M_1^+(K)$  such that  $r \cdot \sigma$  is the identity map on K. (Note that we are not assuming any continuity properties for the affine cross-section  $\sigma$ .) If K is a simplex, then the inverse of  $r_m$  is such an affine cross-section, so every simplex is simplex-like. Eventually (Theorem 1.4), we will prove the converse to this last assertion.

We denote the set of extreme points of a convex set K by  $\partial K$ .

THEOREM 1.2. Let  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  and S be the state spaces of  $(E_1, P_1, u_1)$ ,  $(E_2, P_2, u_2)$  and  $(E_1 \otimes E_2, P_1 \otimes P_2, u_1 \otimes u_2)$  respectively. If  $S_1$  is simplex-like, then for each s in  $\partial S$  we have  $s = s_1 \otimes s_2$  and  $s_i \in \partial S_i$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\sigma$  be an affine cross-section for r. These maps can be extended to linear maps  $\bar{r}: M(S_1) \to E_1^*$  and  $\bar{\sigma}: E_1^* \to M(S_1)$  so that  $\bar{r} \cdot \bar{\sigma}$  is the identity on  $E_1^*$ ,  $\bar{r} \ge 0$  and  $\bar{\sigma} \ge 0$ , where  $M(S_1)$  is the space of all signed regular Borel measures on  $S_1$ . Given any t in S, we can define a linear map  $T_t: E_2 \to E_1^*$  by  $\langle T_t(x_2), x_1 \rangle = \langle t, x_1 \otimes x_2 \rangle$ . This map satisfies

(a) 
$$T_t \ge 0$$
 and (b)  $T_t(u_2)(=t_1) \in S_1$ .

Conversely, given any linear  $T: E_2 \to E_1^*$  which satisfies (a) and (b), there exists a unique t in S such that  $T = T_t$ . The correspondence  $t \mapsto T_t$  is an affine isomorphism, so if  $s \in \partial S$ , then  $T_s$  is extreme in the set of operators from  $E_2$  to  $E_1^*$  which satisfy (a) and (b). Given s in  $\partial S$ , then, let  $\mu = \sigma(s_1) \in M_1^+(S_1)$ , i. e.,  $\mu = \sigma T_s(u_2)$ . Let j be the injection map  $L^{\infty}(S_1, \mu) \to M(S_1)$  defined by  $j(f) = f\mu$   $(f \in L^{\infty}(S_1, \mu))$ . Since  $u_2$  is an order unit, given  $x_2$  in  $E_2$  there is a positive number msuch that  $-mu_2 \leq x_2 \leq mu_2$  and hence  $-m\mu \leq \bar{\sigma} T_s(x_2) \leq m\mu$ . By the Radon-Nikodym theorem there is a unique element  $L(x_2)$  of  $L^{\infty}(S_1, \mu)$ such that  $L(x_2)\mu = jL(x_2) = \bar{\sigma} T_s(x_2)$ . The map  $L: E_2 \to L^{\infty}(S_1, \mu)$  is clearly linear, positive and  $L(u_2) = 1$ .

We wish to show that  $s_1 \in \partial S_1$ . If not, then  $s_1 = 1/2(t_1 + t_1')$ , where  $t_1 \neq t_1'$  and  $t_1, t_1' \in S_1$ . Define linear maps T, T' from  $E_2$  into  $E_1^*$  by  $Tx_2 = \bar{r}[L(x_2)\sigma(t_1)], T'x_2 = \bar{r}[L(x_2)\sigma(t_1')]$ . (Since  $0 \leq \sigma(t_1) \leq 2\mu$ , for instance,  $L(x_2)\sigma(t_1)$  is well-defined.) Clearly,  $T, T' \geq 0$  and  $T(u_2) = t_1, T'(u_2) = t_1'$ . Thus, T and T' satisfy (a) and (b), and  $T(u_2) \neq T'(u_2)$ , so  $T \neq T'$ . Moreover, for every  $x_2$  in  $E_2, 1/2(T + T')(x_2) = \bar{r}[L(x_2)\sigma(s_1)] = \bar{r}[L(x_2)\mu] = \bar{r}\bar{\sigma}[T_s(x_2)] = T_s(x_2)$ , contradicting the fact that  $T_s$  is extreme. We now know that  $s_1 \in \partial S_1$ , and Lemma 1.1 shows that  $s = s_1 \otimes s_2$ . It is straight-forward to check that  $s_2 \in \partial S_2$ , so the proof is complete.

The following proposition was proved in [1, 3, 4] under the additional hypothesis that each  $S_1$  was a simplex.

PROPOSITION 1.3. Let  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  and S denote state spaces as in Lemma 1.1. If  $s_i \in \partial S_i$  (i = 1, 2), then  $s_1 \otimes s_2 \in \partial S$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that t is a linear functional on  $E_1 \otimes E_2$ , that  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are defined in the obvious way, and that  $s_1 \otimes s_2 \pm t \in S$ ; we want to show that t = 0. Since  $s_1 \in \partial S_1$  and since  $s_1 \pm t_1 \in S_1$ , we see that  $t_1 = 0$ . Suppose that  $x_1 \in E_1$ , with  $0 \le x_1 \le u_1$ . If  $x_2 \in P_2$ , then  $0 \le x_1 \otimes x_2 \le u_1 \otimes x_2$  and hence

$$egin{aligned} 0&\leq \langle s_1\otimes s_2,\, x_1\otimes x_2
angle\pm \langle t,\, x_1\otimes x_2
angle\ &\leq \langle s_1\otimes s_2,\, u_1\otimes x_2
angle\pm \langle t,\, x_1\otimes x_2
angle= \langle s_2,\, x_2
angle\pm \langle t,\, x_1\otimes x_2
angle\,. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $s_2$  is extreme (and since  $\langle t, x_1 \otimes u_2 \rangle = 0$ ), this shows that  $\langle t, x_1 \otimes x_2 \rangle = 0$  for all  $x_2$  in  $E_2$ . Finally, since  $E_1 \otimes E_2$  is generated by elements of the form  $x_1 \otimes x_2$ , where  $x_i \in P_i$ , we conclude that t = 0.

[The special case of [3; Th. 3.1], where all the  $\Gamma_{\alpha}$  are trivial, follows easily from Theorem 1.2 and Proposition 1.3. By a very small modification of Theorem 1.2, one can prove Theorem 3.1 of [3] in its full generality. We leave such a modification of Theorem 1.2 (and its proof) to the reader.]

Given two partially ordered linear spaces with order unit  $(E_1, P_1, u_1)$ and  $(E_2, P_2, u_2)$ , there is a second ordering one can introduce on  $E_1 \otimes E_2$ (cf. [3, 8]) which may be described as follows: Note first that the spaces  $E_1 \otimes E_2$  and  $E_1^* \otimes E_2^*$  are paired by (the linear extension of) the obvious rule  $\langle f_1 \otimes f_2, x_1 \otimes x_2 \rangle = \langle f_1, x_1 \rangle \langle f_2, x_2 \rangle$ . We define a second cone  $P^{\wedge}$  by

$$P^{\wedge} = \{x \in E_1 \otimes E_2 : \langle f, x \rangle \ge 0 \text{ for all } f \text{ in } P_1^{\star} \otimes P_2^{\star} \}$$
.

It is clear that  $P_1 \otimes P_2 \subset P^{\wedge}$  and that  $u_1 \otimes u_2$  is an order unit for  $P^{\wedge}$ (since it is one for  $P_1 \otimes P_2$ ). Let S and  $S^{\wedge}$  be the state spaces of  $(E_1 \otimes E_2, P_1 \otimes P_2, u_1 \otimes u_2)$  and  $(E_1 \otimes E_2, P^{\wedge}, u_1 \otimes u_2)$  respectively. It is evident that  $S^{\wedge} \subset S$ , and the following theorem gives conditions under which  $S^{\wedge} = S$ . The validity of "(c) implies (a)" was suggested to us by E. Effros.

THEOREM 1.4. Let  $S_1$  be the state space of  $(E_1, P_1, u_1)$ ; then the following assertions are equivalent

(a)  $S_1$  is a simplex.

(b)  $S_1$  is simplex-like.

(c) For any partially ordered linear space with order unit  $(E_2, P_2, u_2)$ , the two state spaces resulting from the two orderings on  $E_1 \otimes E_2$  coincide.

*Proof.* We have already noted that (a) implies (b). Denoting the two state spaces by S and  $S^{\wedge}$  as above, Theorem 1.2 shows that if  $S_1$  is simplex-like, then every extreme point of S is of the form  $s_1 \otimes s_2$ . Since such functionals are clearly in  $S^{\wedge}$ , we have  $\partial S \subset S^{\wedge} \subset S$ . By the Krein-Milman theorem, then,  $S = S^{\wedge}$ . It remains to prove that (c) implies (a). Let  $E = R^3$ , let  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  be the usual unit basis vectors and let P be the cone in E generated by the vectors  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  and  $e_1 + e_2 - e_3$ . For an order unit u we may choose any point in the interior of P (e.g.,  $u = e_1 + e_2$ ). The order dual  $(E^*, P^*)$  is again isomorphic to  $R^3$ , and if  $d_1, d_2, d_3$  are basis vectors dual to  $e_1, e_2, e_3$ , then  $P^*$  is generated by  $d_1, d_2, d_1 + d_3, d_2 + d_3$ . (Equivalently, P is the intersection of the half-spaces through the origin defined by these four

functionals.) Let S and S^ be the state spaces of  $(E_1 \otimes E, P_1 \otimes P, u_1 \otimes u)$  and  $(E_1 \otimes E, P^{\wedge}, u_1 \otimes u)$  respectively, and suppose that  $S = S^{\wedge}$ . We will show that  $(E_1^{\star}, P_1^{\star})$  is a vector lattice, which is equivalent to showing that  $S_1$  is a simplex (c.f. [9].).

It is clear that the algebraic dual of  $E_1 \otimes E$  can be identified with  $E'_1 \otimes E^{\star}$  (where  $E'_1$  is the algebraic dual of  $E_1$ ) by means of the usual pairing between  $E_1 \otimes E$  and  $E'_1 \otimes E^{\star}$ , and each element of  $E'_1 \otimes E^{\star}$  can be represented uniquely as  $f_1 \otimes d_1 + f_2 \otimes d_2 + f_3 \otimes d_3$ , where  $f_i \in E'_1$ . Such an element is in  $(P_1 \otimes P)^{\star}$  if and only if  $f_i \ge 0$ (i = 1, 2, 3) and  $f_1 + f_2 - f_3 \ge 0$ . It is immediate from the definition of  $P^{\wedge}$  and the separation theorem that  $(P^{\wedge})^{\star}$  is the  $w(E'_1 \otimes E^{\star}, E_1 \otimes E)$ closure of  $P_1^{\star} \otimes P^{\star}$  in  $E_1' \otimes E^{\star}$ . We claim that  $P_1^{\star} \otimes P^{\star}$  is, in fact,  $w(E'_1 \otimes E^{\star}, E_1 \otimes E)$ -closed. Indeed, an arbitrary element of  $P_1^{\star} \otimes P^{\star}$ may be written (not uniquely) in the form  $g_1 \otimes d_1 + g_2 \otimes d_2 + g_3 \otimes$  $(d_1 + d_3) + g_4 \otimes (d_2 + d_3)$ , where  $g_i \in P_1$  (i = 1, 2, 3, 4). Suppose that there is a net  $\{g^{lpha}\} = \{g^{lpha}_1 \otimes d_1 + g^{lpha}_2 \otimes d_2 + g^{lpha}_3 \otimes (d_1 + d_3) + g^{lpha}_4 \otimes (d_2 + d_3)\}$ of such elements, converging to  $f_1 \otimes d_1 + f_2 \otimes d_2 + f_3 \otimes d_3$  in the  $w(E'_1 \otimes E^{\star}, E_1 \otimes E)$  topology. Then  $g_1^{\alpha} + g_3^{\alpha}$  converges to  $f_1$  in the weak\* topology in  $E_1^*$ , hence (in particular)  $\langle g_1^{\alpha}, u_1 \rangle + \langle g_3^{\alpha}, u_1 \rangle \rightarrow \langle f_1, u_1 \rangle$ . Since  $0 \leq \langle g_i^{\alpha}, u_i \rangle$ , the net  $\{\langle g_i^{\alpha}, u_i \rangle\}$  is eventually bounded. But the set  $\{f: f \in P_1, \langle f, u_1 \rangle \leq M\}$  is weak<sup>\*</sup> compact, and hence  $\{g_1^n\}$  has a convergent subnet. Without loss of generality we may assume that  $\lim g_1^{\alpha} = g_1$  exists. It then follows easily that  $\lim g_i^{\alpha} = g_i$  exist for i = 1, 2, 3, 4, and since  $P_i^{\star}$  is weak<sup>\*</sup> closed,  $g_i \in P_i^{\star}$  (i = 1, 2, 3, 4). Thus,  $\lim g^{\alpha} = g_1 \bigotimes d_1 + g_2 \bigotimes d_2 + g_3 \bigotimes (d_1 + d_3) + g_4 \bigotimes (d_2 + d_3)$  is in  $P_1^{\star} \otimes P^{\star}$ , which shows that the latter is  $w(E_1^{\prime} \otimes E^{\star}, E_1 \otimes E)$ -closed. Consequently,  $(P^{\wedge})^{\star} = P_{1}^{\star} \otimes P^{\star}$ .

Now, since  $S = S^{\wedge}$ , we have  $(P_1 \otimes P)^{\star} = (P^{\wedge})^{\star} = P_1^{\star} \otimes P^{\star}$ . Thus, given  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  in  $P_1^{\star}$  such that  $f_3 \leq f_1 + f_2$ , there exist elements  $g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4$  in  $P_1^{\star}$  such that

$$egin{aligned} f_1 \otimes d_1 + f_2 \otimes d_2 + f_3 \otimes d_3 &= g_1 \otimes d_1 + g_2 \otimes d_2 + g_3 \otimes (d_1 + d_3) + g_4 \otimes (d_2 + d_3) \ &= (g_1 + g_3) \otimes d_1 + (g_2 + g_4) \otimes d_2 + (g_3 + g_4) \otimes d_3 \,. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $f_1 = g_1 + g_3$ ,  $f_2 = g_2 + g_4$  and  $f_3 = g_3 + g_4$ , i.e., the space  $(E_1^{\star}, P_1^{\star})$  has the Riesz decomposition property (cf. [7, p. 27]). The following lemma then completes the proof.

LEMMA 1.5. Let (E, P) be a partially ordered linear space such that E = P - P. Then  $(E^*, P^*)$  is a vector lattice if and only if it has the Riesz decomposition property.

*Proof.* Every vector lattice has the decomposition property, so we want to prove the converse. By a standard argument, the decom-

position property implies that if  $g_1, g_2 \leq f_1, f_2$  in  $E^*$ , then there exists h in  $E^*$  such that  $g_1, g_2 \leq h \leq f_1, f_2$ . Thus, if  $f_1, f_2 \in P^*$ , then the set  $A = \{g: 0 \leq g \leq f_1, f_2\}$  is directed by  $\leq$ . For each x in P, the net  $\{\langle g, x \rangle : g \in A\}$  is monotone and bounded, hence  $\lim \{\langle g, x \rangle : g \in A\}$  exists. Since P - P = E, the net  $\{g: g \in A\}$  converges pointwise to a positive functional on E, which is readily verified to be  $f_1 \wedge f_2$ . This suffices (cf. e.g., [9, p. 60]) to show that  $E^*$  is a lattice.

2. Tensor products of compact convex sets. Suppose that K is a compact convex set (always assumed to be a nonempty subset of some locally convex Hausdorff space) and let A(K) (or simply A) denote the space of all real-valued continuous affine functions on K. If  $A^+$  denotes the cone of nonnegative functions in A and 1 denotes the function identically equal to 1, then  $(A, A^+, 1)$  is a partially ordered linear space with order unit. Now A is a Banach space under the supremum norm and the order dual of  $(A, A^+)$  is precisely the space  $A^*$  of all continuous linear functionals on A, ordered in the usual way (cf. [7, p. 45]). Under the evaluation mapping, K is affinely homeomorphic to the state space of  $(A, A^+, 1)$ .

Suppose that  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are compact convex subsets of locally convex Hausdorff spaces, let  $A_i = A(K_i)$  and consider the partial orderings on  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  induced by the cones  $A_1^+ \otimes A_2^+$  and  $P^{\wedge}$  defined in § 1. Let  $K_1 \square K_2$  denote the state space S of  $(A_1 \otimes A_2, A_1^+ \otimes A_2^+, 1 \otimes 1)$  and let  $K_1 \triangle K_2$  denote the state space  $S^{\wedge}$  of  $(A_1 \otimes A_2, P^{\wedge}, 1 \otimes 1)$ . As noted before, the inclusion  $K_1 \triangle K_2 \subset K_1 \square K_2$  is always valid.

If  $x_i \in K_i$ , then (as before)  $x_1 \otimes x_2$  is defined to be the element in  $K_1 \triangle K_2 \subset K_1 \square K_2$  which satisfies  $\langle x_1 \otimes x_2, f_1 \otimes f_2 \rangle = f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2)$ ,  $(f_i \in A_i)$ . The following theorem is a consequence of Theorem 1.2 and Proposition 1.3. A complete description of the extreme points of  $K_1 \square K_2$  remains an open problem.

THEOREM 2.1. If  $x_i \in \partial K_i$  (i = 1, 2), then  $x_1 \otimes x_2$  is extreme in  $K_1 \square K_2$ . If  $K_1$  is a simplex, then any x in  $\partial(K_1 \square K_2)$  is of the form  $x = x_1 \otimes x_2$ , where  $x_i \in \partial K_i$ .

Theorem 1.4 yields the following result. (The implication "(d) implies (a)" is contained in the proof of Theorem 1.4)

THEOREM 2.2. The following assertions about a compact convex set  $K_1$  are equivalent:

- (a)  $K_1$  is a simplex.
- (b)  $K_1$  is simplex-like.
- (c)  $K_1 \square K_2 = K_1 \triangle K_2$  for every compact convex set  $K_2$ .
- (d)  $K_1 \square K_2 = K_1 \triangle K_2$  if  $K_2$  is a two-dimensional square.

Denote by  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$  (or simply by BA) the space of all continuous real-valued biaffine functions on  $K_1 \times K_2$ , i.e., those which are continuous and affine in each variable. The space BA is, in a natural way, a partially ordered linear space with order unit, and the corresponding state space in its order dual is denoted by  $K_1 \otimes K_2$ . (This is the projective tensor product of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  defined by Semadeni [11].)

If  $f_1 \otimes f_2 \in A(K_1) \otimes A(K_2) = A_1 \otimes A_2$ , then we can regard  $f_1 \otimes f_2$ as an element of  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$  by

$$(f_1 \otimes f_2)(x_1, x_2) = f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2)$$
.

This embedding of the generating elements of  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  extends to a linear embedding of  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  into  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$ ; we will henceforth regard  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  as a subspace of BA. Note that this subspace contains the constant functions and separates points of  $K_1 imes K_2$ . The partial ordering on  $A_{\scriptscriptstyle 1} \otimes A_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}$  defined by the cone  $P^{\scriptscriptstyle \wedge}$  is easily seen to be the same as that induced by BA, i.e.,  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} f_{1}^{i} \otimes f_{2}^{i} \in P^{\wedge}$  if and only if  $\sum f_1^i(x_1)f_2^i(x_2) \ge 0$  for all  $(x_1, x_2) \in K_1 \times K_2$ . Note, too, that the order duals of each of these spaces coincide with their duals as normed linear spaces, using the supremum norm. Let  $\rho: BA(K_1 \times K_2)^* \rightarrow A(K_1 \times K_2)^*$  $[A(K_1) \otimes A(K_2)]^*$  denote the restriction mapping. If  $s \in K_1 \otimes K_2$ , then,  $\rho(s) \in K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2$ . It is readily verified (using the extension theorem for positive functionals, cf. [7, p. 8] that  $\rho$  is an affine map of  $K_1 \otimes K_2$  onto  $K_1 riangle K_2$  and is continuous in the weak\* topologies. Let  $\omega: K_1 imes K_2 o$  $K_1 \otimes K_2$  denote the evaluation mapping: If  $f \in BA$ , then  $< \omega(x_1, x_2)$ ,  $f > = f(x_1, x_2)$  for all  $(x_1, x_2) \in K_1 \times K_2$ . Clearly,  $\rho \omega(x_1, x_2) = x_1 \bigotimes x_2 \in K_1$  $K_1 riangle K_2$ . The two tensor products  $K_1 riangle K_2$  and  $K_1 riangle K_2$  will be isomorphic if  $\rho$  is a bijection; the conditions under which this can occur are considered below. We first investigate further the extreme points of all three tensor products. This has been done before [1, 3, 4], but except for [3] it was assumed that both sets were simplexes.

THEOREM 2.3. Every extreme point of  $K_1 riangle K_2$  [or of  $K_1 riangle K_2$ ] is of the form  $x_1 riangle x_2$  [of the form  $\omega(x_1, x_2)$ ], where  $x_i \in \partial K_i$ , i = 1, 2. If  $(x_1, x_2) \in \partial K_1 \times \partial K_2$ , then  $x_1 riangle x_2$  is extreme in  $K_1 riangle K_2$  and in  $K_1 riangle K_2$ , and  $\omega(x_1, x_2)$  is extreme in  $K_1 riangle K_2$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that M is a subspace of  $C(K_1 \times K_2)$  (the continuous real valued functions on  $K_1 \times K_2$ ) which contains the constants, so that M is (in the natural ordering) a partially ordered space with order unit. A standard argument shows that every extreme state on M is the restriction of an extreme state on  $C(K_1 \times K_2)$ , hence is evaluation at a point  $(x_1, x_2)$  in  $K_1 \times K_2$ . If the functions in M are biaffine and separate points, then  $x_i \in \partial K_i$ , i = 1, 2. By applying this

observation to  $M = A_1 \otimes A_2$  and to M = BA, we obtain the first part of the theorem.

If  $(x_1, x_2) \in \partial K_1 \times \partial K_2$ , then  $x_1 \otimes x_2$  is extreme in  $K_1 \square K_2$  by Theorem 2.1. Since  $x_1 \otimes x_2 \in K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2 \subset K_1 \square K_2$ , we also have  $x_1 \otimes x_2$ extreme in  $K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2$ . Since the map  $\rho: K_1 \otimes K_2 \longrightarrow K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2$  is a weak\* continuous affine surjection,  $\rho^{-1}(x_1 \otimes x_2)$  contains an extreme point of  $K_1 \otimes K_2$ . By the first part of the theorem, this functional is evaluation at some point of  $K_1 \times K_2$  which, since  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  separates points of  $K_1 \times K_2$ , is precisely the point  $(x_1, x_2)$ .

DEFINITION. A Banach space E is said to have the *approximation* property [2] if for each compact convex subset C of E and each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a continuous linear transformation (or equivalently, affine transformation)  $T: E \to E$  such that T(E) is finite dimensional and  $||Tx - x|| < \varepsilon$  if  $x \in C$ . It remains open whether every Banach space has the approximation property.

THEOREM 2.4. The restriction mapping  $\rho: K_1 \otimes K_2 \to K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2$  is one-to-one for every pair of compact convex sets  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  if and only if every Banach space has the approximation property.

The proof of this proceeds by a series of simple lemmas. Note that the restriction mapping  $\rho$  is a linear operator from  $BA(K_1 \otimes K_2)^*$ onto  $(A_1 \otimes A_2)^*$  which is the adjoint of the embedding of  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  into  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$ . Consequently,  $\rho$  will be one-to-one on  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)^*$  if and only if  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  is dense (in the supremum norm topology) in  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$ . Since  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)^*$  is generated by  $K_1 \otimes K_2$ ,  $\rho$  is oneto-one on  $BA^*$  if and only if it is one-to-one on  $K_1 \otimes K_2$ .

LEMMA 2.5. Let  $K_1$  be a compact convex set. If the Banach space  $A(K_1)$  has the approximation property, then  $A(K_1) \otimes A(K_2)$  is dense in  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$ , for every compact convex set  $K_2$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are compact convex sets and let  $A[K_2, A(K_1)]$  denote the space of all affine continuous mappings  $F: K_2 \rightarrow A(K_1)$  with norm  $||F|| = \sup\{||F(x_2)||: x_2 \in K_2\}$ . If  $f \in BA(K_1 \times K_2)$ , then  $(Fx_2)(x_1) = f(x_1, x_2)(x_i \in K_i)$  defines an element of  $A[K_2, A(K_1)]$ , and it is readily verified that the correspondence  $f \rightarrow F$  is a linear isometry between these two spaces. Furthermore, under this isometry the subspace  $A(K_1) \otimes A(K_2)$  corresponds to the set of those elements in  $A[K_2, A(K_1)]$  having finite dimensional range. Suppose, now, that  $A(K_1)$  has the approximation property. Given f in  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$ , with corresponding function F, let  $C = F(K_2)$ . This is a compact convex subset of  $A(K_1)$ , so for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a continuous linear

operator  $T: A(K_1) \to A(K_1)$  such that the range of T is finite dimensional and  $||Tg - g|| < \varepsilon$  for each g in C. It follows that  $T \circ F$  is in  $A[K_2, A(K_1)]$ , has finite dimensional range, and satisfies  $||T \circ F - F|| < \varepsilon$ , so  $A_1 \otimes A_2$  is dense in BA.

COROLLARY 2.6. If  $K_1$  is a simplex and  $K_2$  is any compact convex set, then  $K_1 \otimes K_2$  is affinely homeomorphic to  $K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2$ .

**Proof.** It is known [10] that if  $K_1$  is a simplex, then  $A(K_1)^*$  is an abstract (L)-space. From a theorem of Grothendieck [2], it follows that  $A(K_1)$  has the approximation property, so the above lemma and preceding remarks show that  $\rho$  is a homeomorphism.

This corollary is also an immediate consequence of a result of Lazar [5, Lemma 3.1; 6].

LEMMA 2.7. If  $A(K_1) \otimes A(K_2)$  is dense in  $BA(K_1 \times K_2)$  for each compact convex  $K_2$ , then for each compact convex  $C \subset A(K_1)$  and each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a finite dimensional subspace  $M \subset A(K_1)$  and an affine map  $\varphi: C \to M$  such that  $|| \varphi(c) - c || < \varepsilon$  for each c in C.

**Proof.** Let  $g \in BA(K_1 \times C)$  be defined by  $g(x_1, c) = c(x_1)$ . By hypothesis there exists f in  $A(K_1) \otimes A(C)$  such that  $||f - g|| < \varepsilon$ . If  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  denote the elements of  $A[C, A(K_1)]$  corresponding to f and grespectively, then  $\varphi$  has range contained in a finite-dimensional subspace M of  $A(K_1)$  and  $\psi$  is the inclusion map  $C \to A(K_1)$ . Hence for each c in C,  $||\varphi(c) - c|| = ||\varphi(c) - \psi(c)|| < \varepsilon$ .

LEMMA 2.8. Suppose that E is a normed linear space and that C is a nonempty compact convex subset of E. Suppose that  $\varepsilon > 0$ and that there exists a finite dimensional subspace  $M \subset E$  and a continuous affine map  $\varphi: C \to M$  such that  $||x - \varphi x|| < \varepsilon$  for each  $x \in C$ . Then there exists a continuous affine map  $\psi: E \to M$  such that  $||x - \psi x|| < 2\varepsilon$  for each x in C.

*Proof.* Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be a basis for M; then there are continuous real valued affine functions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_n$  on C such that  $\varphi(x) = \sum \varphi_i(x)x_i$  for  $x \in C$ . By [9, p. 31] we can choose continuous affine functionals  $\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n$  on E such that  $|\varphi_i(x) - \psi_i(x)| < \varepsilon(\sum ||x_i||)^{-1}$  for x in C. It follows that if  $\psi(x) = \sum \psi_i(x)x_i$  for x in E, then  $||\varphi x - \psi x|| < \varepsilon$  for  $x \in C$ , hence  $||\psi x - x|| < 2\varepsilon$  if  $x \in C$ .

This result, together with Lemma 2.7, shows that under the density hypothesis of Lemma 2.7,  $A(K_1)$  has the approximation

property.

LEMMA 2.9. Suppose that A(K) has the approximation property, for each compact convex set K. Then every Banach space B has the approximation property.

*Proof.* Let K denote the unit ball of  $B^*$ , in its weak\* topology. It is easily verified that if  $B \times R$  is normed by ||(x, r)|| = ||x|| + |r|, then the correspondence between (x, r) and the functional on K defined by  $k \to \langle x, k \rangle + r$  is an isometric isomorphism between  $B \times R$  and A(K). Thus, if C is a compact convex subset of  $B \subset B \times R$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then there exist a finite dimensional subspace M of  $B \times R$  and a continuous linear map  $T: B \times R \to M$  with  $||Tx - x|| < \varepsilon$  for  $x \in C$ . If P denotes the natural projection P(x, r) = x of  $B \times R$  onto B, then ||P|| = 1 and the range of  $P \circ T$  is finite dimensional in B. Furthermore, if  $x \in C$  then  $||P(Tx) - x|| = ||P(Tx - x)|| \leq ||Tx - x|| < \varepsilon$ .

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.4.

It has been shown by Lazar [4] and by Davies and Vincent-Smith [1] that if  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are simplexes, then  $K_1 \otimes K_2$  is a simplex. (It follows from Corollary 2.6 and Theorem 2.2, of course, that in this case all three tensor products are the same.) The next result shows that the converse is valid. We first require a definition.

A subset F of a compact convex set K is called a *face* if F is compact convex and if  $x, y \in F$  whenever  $x, y \in K$  and  $\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y \in F$  for some  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . It is readily seen that the cone in  $A(K)^*$  generated by F is a "hereditary" subcone of the cone generated by K, hence (cf. [9, p. 64]) if K is a simplex, then so is the face F.

**PROPOSITION 2.10.** If  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are compact convex sets and if any of the sets  $K_1 \otimes K_2$ ,  $K_1 \square K_2$  or  $K_1 \triangle K_2$  is a simplex, then  $K_1$ and  $K_2$  are simplexes (and the three tensor products are the same).

*Proof.* Since a face of a simplex is a simplex, it suffices to show that  $K_1$  is affinely homeomorphic to a face of each of the tensor products. Choose  $x_2$  in  $\partial K_2$  and let  $F = \{x \otimes x_2 \in K_1 \square K_2 : x \in K_1\}$ . It is clear that F is affinely homeomorphic to  $K_1$ ; we will show that it is a face of  $K_1 \square K_2$ . Suppose, then, that  $x \otimes x_2 \in F$  and that  $x \otimes x_2 = \alpha s + (1 - \alpha)t$ , where  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $s, t \in K_1 \square K_2$ . We have  $x = \alpha s_1 + (1 - \alpha)t_1$  and  $x_2 = \alpha s_2 + (1 - \alpha)t_2$ . Since  $x_2$  is extreme,  $s_2 = x_2 = t_2$ . By Lemma 1.1, this implies that  $s = s_1 \otimes x_2$  and  $t = t_1 \otimes x_2$ , which shows that F is a face of  $K_1 \square K_2$ . It is clear that  $F \subset K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2 \subset K_1 \square K_2$ , so F is also a face of  $K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2 \to K_1 \bigtriangleup K_2$  is a face

of  $K_1 \otimes K_2$  which is easily seen to be affinely homeomorphic to  $K_i$ ; it equals  $\{\omega(x, x_2): x \in K_i\}$ . The last assertion of the proposition was noted abave. (By "the same," we mean that  $K_1 \triangle K_2 = K_1 \square K_2$  and that the map  $\rho$  is a homeomorphism between  $K_1 \otimes K_2$  and  $K_1 \triangle K_2$ .)

3. Problems and remarks. There remain a few open questions. Although every point of the form  $x_1 \otimes x_2$  (with  $(x_1, x_2) \in \partial K_1 \times \partial K_2$ ) is extreme in  $K_1 \square K_2$ , there will be additional extreme points if neither of the sets is a simplex and (for instance) one of them is a square. (These additional points are easily seen to be outside of the set  $\{x_1 \otimes x_2: (x_1, x_2) \in K_1 \times K_2\}$ .) Is there a simple description of these points?

Another question is related to the characterization of simplexes in terms of affine cross-sections for the resultant map. Suppose that such a cross-section  $\sigma$  exists for the compact convex set K (so that K is a simplex); must  $\sigma$  coincide with the inverse of  $r_m$ ? Equivalently, does  $\sigma$  map K into the maximal measures Q(K)? [Since  $\sigma(x)$  is necessarily the maximal measure  $\varepsilon_x$  whenever  $x \in \partial K$ , we have  $\sigma(\operatorname{conv} \partial K) \subset$  $Q(K).]^1$ 

It should also be noted that it is possible that  $K_1 riangle K_2$  is always a face of  $K_1 riangle K_2$ . This is suggested by the fact (Theorem 2.3) that  $\partial(K_1 riangle K_2) \subset \partial(K_1 riangle K_2)$ .

We have dealt solely with tensor products of two spaces (or of two convex sets). Those results which can be formulated for finite tensor products can, however, be readily proved by appropriate induction arguments and can then be extended by standard methods to infinite tensor products. The techniques for doing this are well known [1, 3, 4] so we have restricted ourselves to the simplest case in order to exhibit the essential ideas of the proofs. Similarly, these results can be extended fairly easily to sets of states which are invariant under appropriate actions of semigroups, as was done in [3]. (The extension of Theorem 1.4 to more than two spaces requires that all but one of the state spaces be simplexes.)

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